

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A computer implemented method for collecting medical product information, comprising:
  - providing a web site having information about medical products;
  - accepting on said web site a submission indicative of [an unmet need] a medical need not addressed by available medical products relating to the medical products from a plurality of users;
  - categorizing the submission indicative of the [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products according to a primary topic; and
  - selecting [an] the [submitted] submission indicative of the [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products for development of a medical product related to the selected [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products where the submitted [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products matches a predetermined number of other submissions having the same primary topic.
2. (Original) The computer implemented method of claim 1 wherein the categorization is done performed by each said plurality of users electronically selecting a category.
3. (Currently Amended) The computer implemented method of claim 1 wherein the selecting of the [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products for development of a medical product related to the selected unmet need comprises filtering the unmet need submissions.
4. (Original) The computer implemented method as recited in claim 1 further comprising:
  - providing a gatekeeper such that the gatekeeper filters out input that relates to product complaints.

5. (Currently Amended) The computer implemented method as recited in claim 1 further comprising:

providing a gatekeeper such that the gatekeeper filters out input that describes an [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products and a solution to the [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products.

6. (Currently Amended) The computer implemented method as recited in claim 5 wherein an invention submission disclosure form is transmitted to the user that submitted the [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products and the solution to the [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products.

7. (Currently Amended) The computer implemented method as recited in claim 1 further comprising:

providing a computer implemented medical products information web site in conjunction with the unmet needs input such that users can input [unmet needs] medical need not addressed by available medical products while obtaining medical products information.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for collecting medical product information, comprising:

a computer hosting a web site wherein the web site stores information about medical products, information about the medical products being electronically searchable and browseable;

a network connection whereby web pages are delivered to a remote computer and input is accepted from the remote computer, the network accepting an electronic submission indicative of [an unmet need] a medical need not addressed by available medical products for the medical products whereby [unmet needs] medical needs not addressed by available medical products related to the medical products may be determined for the development of a medical product related to the [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products.

10. (Currently Amended) The apparatus as recited in claim 9 further comprising a medical products purchasing database whereby a user can purchase medical products in conjunction with the submission of an [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products submission.

11. (Withdrawn)

12. (Withdrawn)

13. (Withdrawn)

14. (Withdrawn)

15. (Currently Amended) A system for collecting [medical unmet need information] medical need information not addressed by available medical products, comprising:

processing means for providing a web site having information about medical products;

means for accepting on said web site a submission indicative of [an unmet need] a medical need not addressed by available medical products relating to the medical products from a plurality of users;

means for categorizing the submission indicative of the [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products according to a primary topic whereby a submitted [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products for development of a medical product related to the categorized submission may be identified where the submitted [unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products matches a predetermined number of other submissions having the same primary topic.

16. (Original) The system as recited in claim 15 wherein the categorization is done performed by each said plurality of users electronically selecting a category.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Previously Presented) The system as recited in claim 15 further comprising:  
providing a gatekeeper such that the gatekeeper filters out input that relates to product complaints.

19. (Currently Amended) The system as recited in claims 15 further comprising:  
providing a gatekeeper such that the gatekeeper filters out input that describes an  
[unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products and a solution to the  
[unmet need] medical need not addressed by available medical products.

20. (Currently Amended) The system as recited in claim 19 wherein an invention  
submission disclosure form is transmitted to the user that submitted the [unmet need] medical  
need not addressed by available medical products and the solution to the [unmet need]  
medical need not addressed by available medical products.

21. (Currently Amended) The system as recited in claim 15 further comprising:  
providing a computer implemented medical products purchasing web site in  
conjunction with the [unmet needs] medical need not addressed by available medical  
products input such that users can input [unmet needs] medical need not addressed by  
available medical products during a medical products ordering process.